

REMARKS

This Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed on December 21, 2006. Applicant appreciates Examiner's indication that Claims 14-17 are allowed and that claims 10 and 11 contain allowable subject matter. Claims 1-10 and 11-17 are pending. Claims 1, 8, and 11 have been amended herein and claims 9 and 10 have been canceled. No new matter has been added. Entry and consideration of the amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIM 1

Claim 1 was amended herein to include the subject matter of allowable claim 10 and intervening claim 9. Accordingly, claim 1 is now in condition for allowance. Additionally, claim was amended to correct a typographical error. The word "horizontal" should have read "vertical". No new matter has been added.

Amendment to Claim 8

Claim 8 has been amended to correct a minor informality. The rejection under § 112 has been overcome.

In view of the amendments to the claims, the rejections are moot and the application is now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments to the claims made herein, it is submitted that the Examiner's rejections have been overcome and should be withdrawn. The application should now be in condition for allowance.

Should any changes to the claims and/or specification be deemed necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned to discuss the same.

This Response is being filed with a petition for a one-month extension of time and the required fee. In the event that any other extensions and/or fees are required for the entry of this Amendment, the Patent and Trademark Office is specifically authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 23-2820 in the name of Wolf, Block, Schorr & Solis-Cohen LLP. An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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